IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-14 (Cancelled)

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): A <u>plastic polymer, plastic, PVC, or PVC plastisol</u> comprising <u>a plasticizer which contains:</u>

the mixture as claimed in Claim 1

a mixture of isomeric decyl benzoates, comprising:

from 50 to 99% of 2-propylheptyl benzoate and

from 1 to 50% of at least one decyl benzoate selected from the group consisting of 2isopropyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-isopropyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-4methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, and mixtures thereof
as a plasticizer.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The polymer, plastic, PVC or PVC plastisol as claimed in of Claim 15, wherein the polymer, plastic, PVC or PVC plastisol

which is selected from the group consisting of PVC, PVB, a homopolymer [[-]] and a copolymer [[s]],

wherein said homopolymer or copolymer is based on

ethylene,

[[on]] propylene,

[[on]] butadiene,

[[on]] vinyl acetate,

[[on]] glycidyl acrylate,

[[on]] glycidyl methacrylate,

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[[on]] acrylates,
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[[on]] acrylates [[with,]] bonded to the oxygen atom of the ester group, alkyl radicals of branched or unbranched alcohols having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms,

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[[on]] styrene or acrylonitrile, [[or]][[on]] homo- or copolymers of cyclic olefins, and
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combinations thereof.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The polymer, plastic, PVC or PVC plastisol as elaimed in plastic of Claim 15, wherein the plastic

which is selected from the group consisting of:

polyacrylate having identical or different alkyl radicals having from 4 to 10 carbon atoms[[,]] bonded to the oxygen atom of the ester group,

polymethacrylate,

polymethyl methacrylate,

methyl acrylate-butyl acrylate copolymer,

methyl methacrylate-butyl methacrylate copolymer,

ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer,

chlorinated polyethylene,

nitrile rubber,

acrylonitrile-butadiene styrene copolymer,

ethylene-propylene copolymer,

ethylene-propylene-diene copolymer,

styrene-acrylonitrile copolymer,

acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber,

styrene-butadiene elastomer,

methyl methacrylate-styrene-butadiene copolymer,

nitrocellulose, and

combinations thereof.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): A paint, ink or coating material, <u>adhesive</u>, or <u>sealing</u> compound, comprising:

the mixture as claimed in Claim I

a mixture of isomeric decyl benzoates, comprising:

from 50 to 99% of 2-propylheptyl benzoate and

from 1 to 50% of at least one decyl benzoate selected from the group consisting of 2-isopropyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-isopropyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, and mixtures thereof.

Claims 19-22 (Cancelled)

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in Claim 22

A composition containing from 5 to 90% by weight a mixture of isomeric decyl
benzoates, comprising:

from 50 to 99% of 2-propylheptyl benzoate and

from 1 to 50% of at least one decyl benzoate selected from the group consisting of 2-isopropyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-isopropyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, and mixtures thereof; and

from 10 to 95% by weight of

wherein the dialkyl adipate is diisononyl adipate or one or more C₄-C₁₃ alkyl cyclohexanedicarboxylates.

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): The composition of Claim 23, which contains 10 to 95% of dialkyl adipate

A composition comprising from 5 to 90% by weight of the mixture as claimed in Claim 1 and from 10 to 95% by weight of one or more C₄-C₁₃-alkyl cyclohexanedicarboxylates.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in Claim [[24]] 23, wherein the alkyl cyclohexanedicarboxylate is which contains 10 to 95% of dissononyl cyclohexanedicarboxylate.

Claims 26-27 (Cancelled)

Claim 28 (Currently Amended): The mixture as claimed in Claim 1

A mixture of isomeric decyl benzoates, comprising:

from 50 to 99% of 2-propylheptyl benzoate and

from 1 to 50% of at least one decyl benzoate selected from the group consisting of 2-isopropyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-isopropyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-4-methylhexyl benzoate, 2-propyl-5-methylhexyl benzoate, and mixtures thereof,

further comprising of one or more di- C_4 - C_{13} -alkyl adipates, or one or more C_4 - C_{13} -alkyl cyclohexanedicarboxylates.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended): The mixture as claimed in Claim 28, which further comprise one or more di- C₄-C₁₃-alkyl adipates wherein the di- C₄-C₁₃-alkyl adipate is diisononyl adipate.

Claim 30 (Currently Amended): The mixture as claimed in Claim [[1]] $\underline{28}$, further comprising one or more C_4 - C_{13} alkyl cyclohexanedicarboxylates.

Claim 31 (Currently Amended): The mixture as claimed in Claim [[30]] $\underline{28}$, wherein the further comprising a C_4 - C_{13} alkyl cyclohexanedicarboxylate which is diisononyl cyclohexanedicarboxylate.

Claim 32 (New): The mixture as claimed in Claim 28, further comprising a di- C_4 - C_{13} -alkyl adipate which is diisononyl adipate.